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24 JUL 1969

The Honorable Joel T. Broyhill
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Mr. Broyhill:

Thank you for your letter of 14 July 1969 on behalf of [REDACTED] concerning misspellings on citations he received for service during World War II and his eligibility for the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

[REDACTED] was a civilian employee of the Office of Strategic Services. As you may know, OSS was terminated effective 1 October 1945 pursuant to Executive Order 9621 of 20 September 1945.

I have asked the Director of the Strategic Services Unit, the custodian of OSS records, to determine who has the authority to issue corrected citations. If for some reason corrected citations cannot be issued, I have asked that he verify from OSS files the citations awarded to [REDACTED] and issue two appropriate certificates of authentication: one for inclusion in [REDACTED] file and the other for forwarding to you for transmittal to [REDACTED] for his records.

The Distinguished Civilian Service Award Board has the responsibility for advising the President on the selection of persons to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Section 4 of Executive Order 11085 of 22 February 1963 provides that any individual or group may make recommendations to the Board with respect to the award of the medal and that the Board shall consider such recommendations.

I hope this information has been responsive to your interests.

Sincerely,

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/s/
Richard Helms
Director